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## -STORY OF THE WEEK-

## Syracuse Citizens Foundation Has Religious Series

Demonstrates That Average Businessman Wants to Learn About Beliefs

BY

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★ The social justice teachings of the three major faiths were explained to Syracuse citizens in a series of three religious social justice forums sponsored by the Syracuse Citizens Foundation recently.

For some time, certain members of the Citizens Foundation had been attempting to "explain the position of business and the American economic system" to the clergy of this area, but this effort had not met with much success. At one of the Foundation's religious cooperation committee meetings, Rabbi Benjamin Friedman of the Temple Society of Concord, Syracuse, and a senior member of the Citizens Foundation, suggested that before the members spent any more time and effort in explaining their views to the clergy, it would be a sound idea to have the social justice viewpoint of the three major faiths explained to the Foundation members, their wives, their clergymen and guests. In this way, Rabbi Friedman said, the members of the Citizens Foundation, a group of 134 influential Syracuse citizens active in business, medicine, law, teaching, etc., would be better able to thoroughly understand and appreciate the viewpoint of other groups.

The Foundation religious cooperation committee which is composed of clergymen and laymen of the three major religious faiths, approved this project, and it is interesting to note that the other two clergymen on this committee requested the privilege of seconding Rabbi Friedman's proposal. The Rev. Arthur W. Mielke, Presbyterian pastor represented the Protestant communions while the Rev. Robert E. Dillon, chancellor of the Roman Catholic diocese of Syracuse, represented the Roman Catholic churches of this area.

The three clergymen assumed responsibility for obtaining a nationally prominent speaker to represent their viewpoint. The Rev. Richard M. McKeon, director of the school of industrial relations at Lemoyne College, Syracuse, presented the Roman Catholic position, after which the Rev. Marshall L. Scott, dean of the Presbyterian institute for industrial relations, New York, explained the Protestant views, and Rabbi S. Andhil Fineberg, director of community relations of the American Jewish committee concluded the series by outlining Jewish thought on social justice questions.

Inquiries to prominent Church organizations revealed that never before have a group of businessmen hired a hall and invited citizens to come to listen to a presentation of religious social justice viewpoints knowing full well that many views presented might be considerably different than those held by the Citizens Foundation membership, the sponsor of the series.

However, Rabbi Benjamin Friedman pointed out to the committee that it would be wise for the first three meetings not to invite the public at large, but instead, keep the audience from getting too large and unwieldy by inviting Syracuse thought-leaders to the series. In this way, the committee hoped to assure itself of a sincerely interested audience even though it would be somewhat smaller than if the meeting was an open series. Many people thought that if 100 persons attended this series, the Foundation would be doing well. When the Citizens Foundation assigned to me the responsibility of coordinator for the forums, I sincerely believed that this number could easily be doubled if we distributed invitations on this series widely to both clerical and lay members of the three major faiths in this community. We had printed 355 tickets and had to have two additional printings of 225 tickets each to fill the demand of persons who wished to attend as a result of limited promotion through local church groups and civic organizations. The first night, in spite of bad weather. approximately 300 persons attended the Roman Catholic presentation. At the second forum, when the weather was good but when the night conflicted with the newly elected Democratic City administration, approximately 225 persons heard the Protestant viewpoint. The Jewish viewpoint was presented before 250.

The Syracuse Post Standard and Herald Journal assigned reporters and photographers to each meeting, and the public at large was able to share to some

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extent in the three presentations. Local news broadcasts on our three radio stations, especially WFBL (CBS), featured brief summaries of the talks, and I was able to move 200 words over the Associated Press wire on each of the forums with approximately 400 words being sent on each forum to religious news services.

Television Station WHEN thought the series of such civic importance that they devoted an entire news interview period in which Rabbi S. Andhil Fineberg explained the purpose of the series.

Public relations-wise, this serics has been a constructive influence in presenting the religious social justice viewpoint to civic leaders of this community and also in showing this community that business leaders, given the proper leadership and atmosphere, are willing to listen to religious social justice teachings.

Each talk lasted 30 minutes and was followed by a question period of equal length. This question period gave the audience the opportunity to clear up many of the misunderstandings which existed in their minds on the teachings of religious faiths other than that to which the questioner belonged. It is interesting to note that an analysis of attendance figures revealed that the great majority of persons who attended the forums, not only attended the meeting at which their own religious viewpoints were explained but also the other two.

## THE PICTURE ON THE COVER

\* A chalice and paten, gift of the people of Trinity parish, Los Angeles, will go to Okinawa with the Rev. William C. Heffner, left, one the Church's first missionaries to that island. It will commemorate Joel Ells Jr., a young man of the parish who was preparing for the ministry and who was killed during the invasion of Okinawa. The Rev. W. Don Brown, rector of Trinity, is at the right. The Rev. Mr. Heffner preached at Trinity re-

cently and the gift was a spontaneous inspiration of the congregation,

## LOS ANGELES SURVEYS INSTITUTIONS

★ The Rev. Arnold Purdie of the social service department of the National Council is now in Los Angeles making a survey of nine institutions of the diocese. He is being assisted by Miss Charlotte Gluck of the national office. Closer integration of the work of the institutions is the object of the survey according to Bishop Campbell, chairman of the committee.

## BISHOP McKINSTRY VISITS MARYLAND

★ Bishop McKinstry of Delaware was the preacher at the presentation of the United Thank Offering for the diocese of Maryland, the service being held at St. Thomas Church, Baltimore. Bishop Powell was the celebrant.

#### LOUISIANA LAYMEN LEAD MEETINGS

★ During this month and last every parish and mission in Louisiana, seventy-two in all, held a meeting where the program of the Church was presented by one of the specially trained laymen of the diocese.

#### ACHESON SPEAKS ON POLICY

\* Secretary of State Dean Acheson, son of the late Bishop of Connecticut, told a group of religious leaders, meeting under the auspices of the national conference of Christians and Jews, that the foreign policy of the U.S. must have a moral purpose. He said that it was not a part of U.S. policy to export our form of government but that "we must have the humility to understand that democracy, as we know it, is not the only form a free society may take. But what we do believe to be uni-



ST. MARK'S, Palatka, Fla., has an active group of Girl Scouts. Here they prepare the outdoor fireplace for a roast

versal in democracy is its conception of man's proper relationship to his fellow man, the essential worth of the individual, the freedom that is so essential to his growth, and the conception that men shall be brothers unto each other. This is the nub of it—the minimum upon which all who would call themselves democratic must agree."

#### OWN HEADQUARTERS FOR FLORIDA

★ The diocese of Florida has been in existence for 112 years but it never had its own headquarters. For many years offices have been in the community house of St. John's Church, Jacksonville. Now that plans are well under way to make that church the cathedral, the diocese has purchased a building from the parish which is now being remodeled to provide offices for the two bishops, their secretaries, members of the cathedral staff, a chapter room, a library, a chapel.

## EPISCOPAL STUDENTS TO MEET

\* Student delegates from all dioceses and missionary districts will meet at Bloomfield Hills, Mich., December 27-January 1, to set up a national Episcopal student movement, which will unify the present program of Canterbury Clubs in the various colleges and universities throughout the country. Two delegates from each diocese and missionary district will be elected by a representative conference of Canterbury groups within each diocese and district. The meeting will adopt an aim, a basis, a purpose and a constitution for the new movement.

Speakers will be Bishop Stephen C. Neill, assistant to the Archbishop of Canterbury; Bishop Norman B. Nash, of Massachusetts; the Rev. Jesse McL. Trotter, president of the Church Society for College Work, and the Rev. Robert N. Rodenmayer, chairman of the national commission for college work.

## MEXICAN YOUTH MEETS

★ In the Mexican Episcopal Church the young people's group, Luis Querido Rodrigues, president, recently held its second regional institute for nine days, in Cuernavaca, with twenty-four students and six clergy as teachers. The young people came from congregations in the states of Morelos, Hidalgo, Mexico and Michoacan, and the Federal District.

Their purpose was "to learn something of what a faithful churchman should know; how to tell others; and how to aid the Church's work so that the Church may develop in Mexico." They had classes in the New Testament, the history of Christian thought, Christian symbolism, history of the Church of England and the American Episcopal Church and their missionary work, Christian education, pastoral theology and homiletics, and plenty of recreation.

In the church, the Holy Communion was celebrated three times, a daily morning service was led by the clergy, and an evening service was taken by the lay readers in turn. Also part of the program was an experimental Sunday school with

the children of the Cuernavaca congregation.

In order to leave their borrowed quarters in the best possible condition, the young people cleaned every square foot of the parish house and church.

After the institute closed, they held a short meeting to criticize and value it in order that the next one may be even better. They plan to hold the next in January, 1951, and hope to have twice as many attending, divided into two groups, newcomers and repeaters.

## CONTROVERSY OVER P. R. CONSTITUTION

★ There is such a controversy over the clause on religion in the proposed new constitution of Puerto Rico that Bishop Charles Boynton, Episcopal Bishop, and now suffragan of New York, and President A. M. Mergal of the Association of Evangelical Churches are to confer with two Roman Catholic bishops on the Island.

Congress recently voted to permit the holding of a referendum in Puerto Rico on June 4, 1951 to determine whether the population wants to draft its own constitution.



CHURCH SCHOOL of the Holy Comforter, New Orleans, has a thriving primary department—pretty teachers too

## EDITORIALS

## **Christmas Suggestion**

THE WITNESS, like most magazines in the religious field, has to depend largely on its readers to help with circulation. Secular newspapers and magazines are so well sustained by advertising that they are able to plow back all that they get in circulation revenue in promotion. With Church journals subscription money has to be used for printing costs, so that there is very little indeed for circulation promotion.

In other years we have mailed to all our subscribers a folder similar to the one that is printed

on the back page of this issue. This too is an expensive proposition. This year therefore we are taking this means of urging readers to send us Christmas gift subscriptions. And in doing so we are passing on to you what is saved by the direct mailing of former years. That is, whereas last year you paid \$3 each for three or more gift subscriptions, this year we will be glad to enter four for ten dollars, and each subscription over the four for \$2.50. Single gift subscriptions, or less than four, remain \$4 each.

We will continue to offer readers each week all of the important news of the Episcopal Church and a page of news of Other Churches as well as one of news of Churches Overseas. Dr. Grant will continue to give you his fine

book reviews, and the other features that our readers inform us, through questionnaires and letters, that they appreciate will appear regularly. Our newly acquired Contributing Editors, Chad Walsh and Hyatt Waggoner, have promised more stimulating articles for the coming year. Professor Massey Shepherd has returned with his Living Liturgy which is so popular with all our readers. In other words we will continue to offer instructive, stimulating and entertaining articles on the life, work and thought of the Church.

So we solicite your support. In doing so we believe we are making it possible for you to give friends a gift that they will appreciate every week. And it is a convenient gift for you to make since all you need to do is to use the back page of this issue. The subscription will be entered for the Christmas number, and we will send cards to your friends announcing the gifts as coming from you.

One further suggestion: the Rev. Harold H. Kelley of Berkeley, California, wrote recently in Backfire that people in England could not subscribe to American papers since they are not allowed to send money out of the country. He suggested sending to some friend there your copy of The Witness after you have read it, explaining

that it can be sent for five cent postage. But our Christmas offer comes to the same sum—\$2.50 for the year. So let us send the magazine direct and avoid the delay and the trouble. If you do not have a friend in England, we can supply the names and addresses of a considerable number.

We also have the names of missionaries and others who cannot afford The Witness so that we will be glad to enter their subscriptions as a gift from you. Hospitals, libraries, clubs, homes for the elderly will also welcome the magazine in case you care to add them to your list.

Whatever you are able to do will be greatly appreciated, certainly by us, and we believe by all to whom gifts are made.

Please use the back page, with any additional names on a separate sheet of paper. And many thanks.

## "OHOTES"

IF it is not beneath the Cross of Jesus that nations will lay down their arms, it may be by revolution among the armies and rebellion among the workers. If we cannot secure the ending of war by the blood of the Cross, other blood may flow which will not cleanse but only cry out for blood the more. But it may heed a crucified Church to bring a crucified Christ before the eyes of the world.

-W. E. ORCHARD

The Outlook for Religion

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## **About Reporting**

NOW and again we are charged with leaving out certain facts when writing news. The accusations at times have stated that we had a malicious motive for so doing, because the omitted material did not agree with our point of view. Our veracity has even been challenged, and we have been called "dishonest." We do not think that these things can justly be said of us, and we would be uncharitable if we used the same epi-

thets against the news-reporters of our contemporaries who are sometimes guilty of omissions. But we would like to call attention to two recent incidents.

The magazine "Forth," official organ of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in its October issue had a news story on the Toronto meeting of the central committee of the World Council of Churches. In it there is a paragraph about the statement adopted on the Korean situation and world order. It says simply this, "The statement commends the United Nations for prompt police action, condemns the use of atomic and bacteriological weapons and obliteration bombing, and denounces the Stockholm Appeal as a strategy of propaganda rather than a genuine peace proposal." We are mystified that Forth, and also one of the diocesan magazines in its report, omits any mention of the fact that the statement also included the call to governments to "press individually and through the United Nations for a just settlement by negotiation and conciliation"

of the Korean hostilities. Maybe there was a motive in this, or maybe, to be charitable, it was an error.

The Living Church had a bylined story of the address of the Archbishop of Canterbury to convocation. There is no mention of the Archbishop statement that Christians in China believe that they had been "liberated" by the Communist armies and they "acknowledge that the present regime is morally and socially preferable to the corruption and inefficiency and exploitations of the regime it replaced." The New York Herald Tribune thought this to be so important a part of the Archbishop's address that it used it in its headline over the whole story, and on page one. But our contemporary, and another C of E newspaper, The Record, reporting the same, neglected it completely. We do not say there was any motive behind this. We only suggest that it is seemingly difficult for news reports to have a complete, and thus, true account of every event.

# The Bishop As Leader

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The Bishop of Nebraska

**B**ISHOP H. H. HENSON in his "Retrospect of an Unimportant Life" recently said "The bishop is not rightly regarded as a merely diocesan official, but should conceive of himself as a



great national officer." So foreign and distasteful is this conception of the Anglican episcopate to modern Episcopalians that we rejoice in the fact that it died an unregretted and unmourned death before the middle of the last century. Prelacy, especially, in an

Erastian garb, has no place in a democratic country nor in a democratic Church. On the other hand, neither is the bishop just a "cog" in the diocesan machine whose chief duty is to dissolve tensions in a parliamentary system. Nor is he a "glorified executive secretary" charged with the responsibility of keeping the bureaucracy on even keel—and growing! And although he is a constitutional officer by no means is he a "rubber stamp" functioning as an impersonal automaton in a restricted and moribund Church.

When we gather to consecrate a bishop it is not to set apart a man for any of the above offices but to ordain and consecrate an Apostle—a wit-

ness to the people—a leader. This leadership—and a leadership it most certainly is—has many qualities of mind and heart, but it rests chiefly upon three essential qualifications:

#### Converted Leader

TT is a converted leadership. The essence of Christianity is not just belief in Jesus Christ, nor adoration of his person, nor even imitation of his holy character and his spotless life; but identification with him. Surely if this is true, a bishop must be a changed, a converted man, not a worldling but a bond slave of Jesus Christ. In a word he is a man who has had an experience of God in Christ and as a result of this experience he has the resurrection outlook on life and a new scale of values. This religious experience is the foundation stone upon which a successful episcopate is built. While both the New Testament as well as the writings of later disciples have innumerable references to conversions and stories of twice born men and women, there is no typical or classical religious experience whose form and pattern are common to all. As William James says there are varieties of religious experience. Some, like Peter who went out into the night and wept bitterly, find God through their emotions or feelings; others, like Thomas, who would not believe until he saw with his own eyes, find God through

their reason; and others, like Luke, who gave us the parable of the Good Samaritan and the parables of the Lost, find God through service. Regardless of how, when or where it comes the reality of our churchmanship and the sincerity of our purpose are motivated by an abiding religious experience of God in Christ.

The great need of conversion of both clergy and laity in our Church today was stressed by the preacher, Bishop Stewart of blessed memory, at my own consecration ten years ago as follows: "Most of us-especially of this household of the Episcopal Church, need to learn this. We are frozen with respectability, starched with smugness, like Narcissus gazing at his own reflection in the pool, we admire ourselves enormously, but most of us are unconverted. We haven't what St. Paul and all truly converted people have—light and heat. And we have not because we will not surrender our lives to the kingship of Christ. All our activities reveal our weakness here. A majority of our so-called Church people are indistinguishable from their friends in paganry. They hang upon the fringe of our parishes; their conduct is the characteristic behaviour of worldlings. They come to Church occasionally, not as penitents, but as patrons; not to adore, but to audit the service; scratch their belief and you find not the faith, but a farrago of sentimentality, superstitions and skepticisms. They do not pray, nor fast, nor give alms. And the salt of the faithful is thinned out by having to sieve through this saltlessness, and the light of the remnant is dimmed by having to shine through their opacity."

Our own Presiding Bishop mentioned the same need of a vital religious experience at the time of his installation when he said many Church people had been so inoculated with weak religion that the real thing could not take hold!

#### Missionary Leader

TT is a Missionary Leadership. We consecrate a bishop in the Church of God, not only a bishop of a diocese. No bishop has authority from Christ to operate in his own locality only, and this is equally true of a priest or of a deacon. The Prayer Book says a "bishop in the Church of God," a "priest in the Church of God" and a "deacon in the Church of God." The service is Catholic and universal, not diocesan or parochial. The new bishop will find out all too soon perhaps that his responsibilities in the Church of God are quite as great as are his responsibilities as the Bishop of a diocese. The authority conferred by the laying on of hands in ordination is the authority of the divine commission in St. Matthew 28:18-20-"All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always even unto the end of the world. Amen." Regardless of what our particular doctrine of apostolic succession might be, we all agree that it originates in the missionary command of Christ. The very word Apostle means just two key words of the apostolic ministry: Sent and Send. "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you." John 20:21. The bishop, if missionary minded, shares with his brethren the responsibilities of missions at home and overseas, not only because the world is his field but because the very nature of his office makes it necessary. He could be perhaps a "swami" in a Hindu sect or a leader of some esoteric society or cult, and not believe in missions, but he cannot be an apostolic bishop in the Catholic Church and not thirst for the souls for whom Christ died.

Nothing will hold him back nor discourage him in his missionary zeal; nothing daunts him; "Neither journey oft, nor perils of robbers, nor perils of his own countrymen, nor perils by the heathen, nor perils in the city; nor perils in the wilderness, nor perils of the sea, nor perils among false brethren. In weariness and painfulness, in watchings oft, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness, besides all that cometh to him daily, the care of all the churches." Here is the picture of a real bishop and our ideal. In this passage—2 Cor. 11:23 to the end, St. Paul gives a picture of his episcopate during the early years of the Christian Church. It is helpful to compare ours with his or our anniversary days!

A certain Greek professor tells us about a visit of St. Paul to the office of the young Greek physician, Dr. Lucas, in Antioch. "Your name?"—
"Paulus."—"And what seems to be the matter?"
—"I have a thorn in the flesh"—"And I am caught up into heaven and see things unutterable." "Better take a holiday, Paulus—how about a sea voyage—and why not forget religion for a while?" "I cannot be disobedient to the heavenly vision, Dr. Lucas." "I know I can do all things through Christ who strengthened me." Result—Dr. Lucas sells his office, gives up his practice in Antioch and goes with St. Paul and becomes St. Luke, the beloved physician, author of the third Gospel and the Book of Acts!

In the Mamertine prison in Rome is a spring. Here Paul baptized jailer after jailer whom he won to Christ. All were fish in his net, mavericks within the widening circle of his long rope.

It has always amused and comforted me as I face each annual every member canvass that the lovely spiritual passage at the close of I Corin-

thians 15, "O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?" is followed at once by "Now concerning the collection for the saints—upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay up by him in store as God hath prospered him that there be no gatherings when I come."

#### Corporate Leader

TT is a corporate leadership. When Christ left this earth and ascended up on high on the first Ascension day he left neither an organization with rules nor a book with directives. But he did leave a Koinonia Pneumatos - a "Fellowship of the Spirit," which he called his body and we call his Church. We Episcopalians need to revive this idea of the Church as a fellowship of the spirit, and I believe the bishop has the greatest responsibility and the best opportunity to do it. There have been many attempts outside the Church to revive it from Montanism in the 2nd century to Bushmanism in the 20th; but the work and office of the Holy Spirit should not be neglected until it has to be restored by leaders outside the fellowship. The annual visitation of the bishop can be not only a formal canonical thing concerned with statistics and registers and even a confirmation class, but a spiritual renewal and an awakening of the spirit for the whole congregation. When the bishop visits a parish the clergy and congregation have a right not only to be inspected but inspired! In a very special way the bishop "stirs up the grace of God" as he makes the rounds of his diocese and leaves behind him greater courage to go forward and real enthusiasm for the kingdom. I am sure that as far as promoting the kingdom is concerned more is accomplished at a fellowship meal preceding or following a service than any other thing a bishop might do. This undoubtedly is the idea back of the "Coffee Hour" another 20th century expression of the primitive agape, now becoming so popular throughout the Church. We Episcopalians need to warm up and learn to be friendly for the growth of the kingdom is contingent, not upon our personal theory of apostolic succession, or any other doctrine, but upon our "Philadelphia," our capacity for brotherly love. This is not only the touchstone of true Christianity but the only basis of Christian morals as well. In the New Testament a moral offense is not an offense against the moral code but against the Holy Spirit—a corporate gift the fellowship. Hence we read of "quenching the spirit" and "grieving the spirit." I understand the word "ecclesiastical" means "brotherly" but I am afraid we have departed far from its original intention, as a Church. Yet upon this brotherliness and friendliness depends our relationship with God. "He that loveth not his brother whom

he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?"

Never will we make the indifferent different or bring the stayaway back to the worship of God every Sunday in his church, and make our churches going and growing concerns with no "nominal churchmen" on their lists until we have revived the Koinonia Pneumatos—the fellowship of the spirit idea of the Church again. Canons, precepts, duties, even commandments, are of none effect—only the spirit compels.

Most Episcopalians are like the disciples at Ephesus who, when asked by St. Paul if they had received the Holy Ghost since they believed, replied: "We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost!" Certainly too few of us act as though we knew he was a corporate gift and know only in the experience of the Koinonia. And because of this ignorance our Church is held back and cursed by the two archheresies of modern times (1) individualism—a social isolationism which says we have no need of our fellowmen, and (2) Pelagianism—a spiritual isolationism which says we do not need God's grace or his holy spirit. Both of these heresies are best stated and summed up in Kipling's "If" and their Christian opposite is found in St. Paul's Christian ideal in Phil. 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me."

At the most solemn moment in the Service of Consecration we hear the words "Receive the Holy Ghost for the office and work of a bishop in the Church of God" x x x and "stir up the grace of God which is given thee" it is manifestly evident to us all, and especially to the bishop-elect, that Christ intends a bishop to be a spirit bearing witness and an Apostle within the Koinonia Pneumatos.

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#### CLERGYMEN DISCUSS WAR AND PEACE

★ A symposium on the Christian attitude toward war was held November 12th at St. George's, New York, led by Bishop Lawrence of Western Massachusetts. Prof. Albert T. Mollegen of the Virginia Seminary and the Rev. Leland Henry, director of social service of the diocese of New York. Each spoke twice, once at the service at eleven, and once at the meeting in the parish house following a luncheon.

The clergymen each took one of the three positions of Christians on war as defined by the World Council of Churches at Amsterdam which was attended by 2,000 representatives of 148 Protestant and Orthodox denominations of forty-three countries in August of 1948. Mollegen was first with the position, from the Amsterdam conference, that "There are those who hold that, even though entering war may be a Christian's duty in particular circumstances, modern warfare with its mass destruction can never be an act of justice."

Henry presented the Amsterdam conference position that "in the absence of impartial supranational institutions, there are those who hold that military action is the ultimate sanction of the rule of law and that citizens must be distinctly taught that it is their duty to defend the law by force if necessary."

Bishop Lawrence presented the Amsterdam conference position that "others, again, refuse military service of all kinds, convinced that an absolute witness against war and for peace is for them the will of God and they desire that the Church should speak to the same effect."

Mollegen said that the "consequence of America having assumed responsibility and obligation as a member of the United

Nations" requires action. "The Protestant man, at least, must act, well knowing he is not God," Mollegen said. "He must take the risk of acting . . . The only possible course for the Christian is to do everything possible to avert war itself.

Mollegen proposed "such a preponderance of mass power" in the non-Communist world "that it will not be threatened." He described as "agonizing" the decision that must be made about entering a war.

Henry led off his presentation with an assertion that the first part of his Amsterdam conference position—"In the absence of impartial supranational institutions . . ."—does not obtain, because the United Nations has established international law.

Henry said, under such circumstances (violation of international law by aggression), "The point at issue is should the Church distinctly teach that it is a Christian's duty to take part in the defense of international law?"

"The official response of the Church has been a prompt and unequivocal 'yes'," Henry said. "It is a hard choice we face . . . either a world of law, sustained when necessary by force of arms, or an utterly lawless world where one aggression after another will lead eventually to the extinguishing of all the heritage of the free world.

"It is not that we like war but that we love freedom and . . . freedom has never been achieved or maintained except as free men have been willing to die in its defense.'

Bishop Lawrence read from a pastoral letter published by the Protestant Episcopal House of Bishops in 1939 to explain his position: "We believe that war will never achieve peace, but only sow the seeds for further war. We believe that the only sure foundations for peace are mutual understanding, sympathy, fairness, generosity and good will between nations in a world of peace among men of good will."

"I still believe in the basic goodness of this world," Bishop Lawrence said. "Doing nothing is sometimes the best thing to do in a crisis," he said, describing such a position as "an oasis of sanity."

The bishop said that "physical force can be used for good and for bad. In war, an army acts as judge, jury and prosecutor, and acts en masse. It only expresses the rule of might, not right."

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lest warfare become the normality," Bishop Lawrence concluded.

## THE YOUNG PEOPLE CONDUCT SERVICE

★ The observance of Youth Sunday in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Sapulpa, Okla., had several quite tangible results; first, an offering of \$25.95; next, a beautiful and inspiring service conducted entirely by young people, the rector sitting in the congregation; and finally, the organization of a young people's group immediately after the service.

The vicar, the Rev. Ralph E. Macy, explained that the parish has had little youth work in recent years, and the Youth Sunday program was done without having any organized group. Mr. Macy suggested to a number of young people that it was their service . . . and they took over from there. "Having it put completely on their shoulders made it a success."

The parish has a communicant strength of 152, and the youth Sunday congregation numbered 85. Said Mr. Macy, "The young people have shown what they can do and as a result of this they have the support of the adults and can count on any help needed from them. The new young people's group will meet weekly, and as groups in this area are small, we plan to meet often with neighboring groups to keep up enthusiasm and interest."

## CIRCLE OF PRAYER FOR PEACE

★ The rector of St. David's, Baltimore, is sponsoring a prayer circle of those who will join in a noonday petition that mankind may be spared a global war.

#### CONDITIONAL GIFT TO SEWANEE

★ The University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee, has been offered \$100,000 by an anonymous layman providing that before the close of 1951 additional gifts of a million are received for new buildings.

## BEXLEY CONFERENCE ON MINISTRY

★ Bexley Hall entertained 45 young men from six dioceses November 10-12 for a conference on the ministry. Leaders were the Rev. Robert W. Fay of Columbus, the Rev. Francis B. Sayre Jr. of Cleveland, the Rev. Charles H. Long Jr., former missionary in China, Dean Corwin C. Roach and Student Donald Priestley, president of the Bexley students.

## ROYAL OAK GREETS MICHIGAN YOUTH

★ Youth offering was presented by young people of Michigan at a service held November 12 at St. John's, Royal Oak, with about 300 present, representing nine of the eleven convocations of the diocese.

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## RELIGIOUS THERAPY IS DISCUSSED

★ Advanced findings in the clinical approach to religious therapy in the treatment and cure of the mentally ill were explained by the Rev. Miles Renear, chaplain at the Norwalk state hospital, at a meeting of the board of the Los Angeles city mission society. Spiritual therapy today has a recognized place in treatment of mental cases and alcoholism, according to Mr. Renear. Properly applied, he says, it can, in some cases, be credited with helping to effect cures. Special training, however, he pointed out is needed for this type of clinical work, so that the chaplain has an understanding of the medical problem and can coordinate his work with the medical treatment gauged to each individual case.

Mr. Renear, a graduate of Brown University and Episcopal Theological School, specialized in clinical therapy at the Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, where, as an interne, he worked with the medical staff through the wards to become thoroughly familiar with the medical aspects of the cases he proposed to treat spiritually. He has been chaplain at Norwalk for two years.

In order to expand the facilities for special clinical training in spiritual therapy here, Canon Richard Lief, executive director of the society, was instructed to investigate the work being done in this field at Bellevue Hospital, New York, and the Episcopal Hospital, Philadelphia.

## BUSINESSMAN QUITS TO STUDY FOR MINISTRY

★ J. Philip Bartlett, 41-yearold Los Angeles businessman, is studying for the ministry because he got tired of the "mad scramble for the almighty dollar." He has sold his business, the thriving Farm Machine Co. of San Diego.

"It was not a decision I made overnight as a result of any emotional experience," he explained. "I decided that the eternal pressure of the business world was not worth it. I was forced to follow certain ethics which were not Christian. They were not ethics that would put a man in jail, but modern business is cutthroat and dog-eat-dog for the small businessman who is trying to survive."

After a year at the University of Southern California here, Mr. Bartlett plans to take the regular seminary course at the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in Berkeley. Then he hopes to be assigned to a church in the diocese of Los Angeles.

## CONFERENCE ON THE MINISTRY

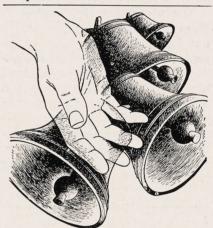
★ Some fifty college men from eight states will attend a conference on the ministry at Seabury-Western, Dec. 27 through the 29th. It is being held to explain the importance and work of the ministry, and to give an objective presentation of the ministry of the Episcopal Church, Dean Alden Kelley of the seminary and conference adviser, said in announcing the event.

A series of talks on "The Church and the world today," "The meaning of vocation and ministry," "Seminary preparation for the ministry," "The minister as pastor and as preacher," and "The devotional and spiritual leadership of the minister," will be the highlights. An "elective session" for the conferees will include discussion of the ministry in specialized roles, such as the missionary, urban, and rural fields, teaching, and college work.

#### WOMEN HIT ABUSES OF CONGRESSMEN

Mrs. Theodore Wedel, wife of the Canon of Washington Cathedral, was warmly applauded by the 2,000 delegates attending the biennial assembly of the United Council of Church Women, for introducing a resolution hitting certain Congressmen. It stated that they abused "certain privileges granted to enhance the democratic process," and called upon them to discipline themselves in the use of the privileges of Congressional immunity and unlimited debate so that their intended useful purpose, rather than partisan politics, would be served.

Other resolutions passed at the assembly, meeting in Cincinnati urged equal educational facilities for all American children; pledged the Council to work against discrimination; demanded protection for conscientious objectors. A resolution to reaffirm previous action opposing permanent military conscription was tabled.



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## **NEWS OF OTHER CHURCHES**

## URGE REPEAL OF THE McCARRAN BILL

Repeal of the McCarran antisubversive act was urged by the United Synagogue of America, meeting in Washington, Nov. 17, because "many of its provisions flagrantly depart from American democratic principles and long-established practice." The national meeting was attended by representatives of 400 conservative Jewish congregations.

The Women's League of the United Synagogue of America, at its biennial convention held in Minneapolis, also called for the repeal of this act and also for the abolition of the House committee on un-American activities. The women also opposed any further move in the U.N. to reverse its original policy with regard to Franco Spain, which in 1946 barred Spain from membership.

## CATHOLICS ASK WORLD ECONOMIC REFORMS

Economic reform of the world is necessary to prevent Communism, according to a report which was adopted at the annual meeting of the Catholic Association of International Peace, meeting Nov. 16 in Washington. The report declared that in the Far East the USSR and native Communists are exploiting the conflict between the dying imperialism of colonial empires and the legitimate emerging aspirations for self-government among Asiatic peoples. "United States policy," said the report, "should defend the right of dependent people of the Far East in their efforts toward selfgovernment and should also guard against the dangers of economic domination of dependent territories by financial and industrial American interests.'

## GAMBLING PROPOSALS DEFEATED

Religious forces were successful in defeating a number of proposals to legalize gambling in the Nov. 7 elections. States where such proposals went under were California, Arizona, Montana, Massachusetts, South Carolina, Georgia.

## FUNDAMENTALISTS MOVE AGAINST COUNCIL

The American Council of Christian Churches, fundamentalists, and chief attacker of the Federal Council moved into Cleveland Nov. 21, the week before the opening of the convention which will bring into being the National Council of Churches, a merger of interdenominational agencies, including the Federal Council. Topics

being dealt with by various speakers are "Methodism adrift," "History of unbelief in the Presbyterian Church," "Revolution by Consent." Purpose, apparently, is to steal the headlines, as on other occasions, and to discredit the new National Council.

## STOCK MARKET METHODS IN CAMPAIGN

Every night last week dozens of Methodist laymen of the Buffalo, N. Y. area went calling to "sell" non-church people on the idea of joining the church. Then they returned to their

own church and reported, where the figures were tabulated and sent by phone to the "clearing house" located in the Plymouth Methodist Church, where they were chalked up on the "big board." A telephone hookup brought reports each morning from nine other cities and an area-wide summary by Methodist Bishop Earl Ledden of Syracuse. The result of the six-day effort, a part of the united evangelistic advance, was the addition of 11,837 members.

#### QUAKERS AGAIN ADDRESS OFFICIALS ON PEACE

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## **PEOPLE**

#### **CLERGY CHANGES:**

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HARRIS T. HALL, formerly vicar of St. Mark's, Mendham, N. J., is now vicar of Trinity, Marshall, Mo.

DENMERE J. KING, formerly chaplain of the Church hospital in Omaha, Nebr., is now rector of St. Paul's, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

WILLIAM M. PLUMMER JR., formerly rector of All Saints', Baltimore, is now rector of St. Paul's, Prince Frederick, and Christ Church, Port Republic, Md.

W. SCOTT BROADBENT, rector of Holy Trinity, Baltimore, becomes assistant at St. Timothy's, Catonsville, Md., Dec. 15.

KENNETH G. T. STANLEY, formerly locum tenens of St. John's, Cleveland, O., is now assistant at St. Paul's, Akron. O.

DANIEL W. ALLEN, rector of St. Thomas', Reidsville, N. C., becomes executive secretary of the diocese of East Carolina, Jan. 1.

WILFRED T. WATERHOUSE, rector of Calvary, Front Royal, Va., becomes rector of St. Peter's, Washington, N. C., Dec. 1.

ROBERT P. VARLEY, formerly assistant at St. Paul's, Chester, Pa., is now rector of St. Stephen's, Beverly,

RONALD C. HENSTOCK, formerly rector of All Saints, Kimberley, Canada, is now rector of St. Luke's, Westville, N. J.

#### LAY WORKERS:

MARION BURTON, formerly of Windham House, New York, is now director of religious education in the diocese of West Missouri.

ESTHER HENLEMAN, a young Jewish girl of Penn Yan, N. Y., student at Syracuse University, is training the choir at Good Shepherd mission at the Onondaga Indian reservation. Each Thursday and Sunday the co-ed travels for an hour and a half by bus and taxi to fulfill her volunteer duties of teaching Indian children to sing Christian hymns.

#### HONORS:

J. HENRY BROWN, director-chaplain of Fort Valley College Center, has been invited by President Truman to participate in the White House conference on children and youth. He is an expert on work among Negro college students and on rural work.



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This excellent commentary is in form like Dr. Barth's, a running exposition, rather than a word by word philological exegesis of the old-fashioned kind. Americans will be interested in the fact that the book might almost be called an expansion of the key verse, 1:17, "He who through faith is righteous shall live"-exactly the translation given us in the new Revised Standard Version (1946). This is, of course, very different from the traditional rendering, "The just shall live by faith," and it casts a flood of light upon the whole area of St. Paul's personal faith, religious convictions, and articulated theology.-F.C.G.

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